

Senate Resolution 31

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Harbin of the 16th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th and Dugan of the 30th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Great Promise Partnership; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mike Beatty founded Great Promise Partnership during his tenure at the
3 Georgia Department of Community Affairs to address persistent poverty, high school
4 dropout rates, and work force development needs around the State of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Great Promise Partnership is a public-private partnership committed to
6 encouraging and empowering students who are at risk of not completing high school by
7 equipping these bright young minds with real world job skills and a path to successfully
8 joining the work force; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Great Promise Partnership allows students to spend a portion of their day at
10 high school and another portion gaining hands-on experience; this provides at least one hour
11 of tutoring, mentoring, life skills, and group projects; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Great Promise Partnership promotes the establishment of a financially stable
13 and self-sufficient life by emphasizing the importance of education in combination with real
14 world experience; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the University of Georgia, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs,
16 Jackson Electrical Membership Corporation, all four Shaw Industries plants in Bartow
17 County, and Adairsville Ace Hardware are all important partners with this program that help
18 employ students; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Great Promise Partnership promotes the development of education and job
20 skills necessary to lead a successful life for students considered to be at risk but of high
21 aptitude in Georgia.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
23 recognize and commend Great Promise Partnership for providing educational support and
24 experience for youth in Georgia.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Great Promise
27 Partnership.